HOUSE No. 1962

By Ms. Polito of Shrewsbury, petition of Karyn E. Polito and others relative to requiring the installation of ignition interlock devices on vehicles operated by certain repeat offenders granted a hardship license. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Karyn E. Polito **Shirley Gomes**

James R. Miceli

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO REPEAT OFFENDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Subparagraph 2 of paragraph c of Subsection 1 of Section 24 of
- 2 chapter 90 of the General Laws as so appearing, is hereby further
- amended by inserting the following after the word "necessary":—
- 4 A mandatory condition of a hardship license granted by the reg-
- istrar pursuant to this paragraph shall be that the person have an 5
- ignition interlock device installed on every vehicle operated by
- the person, under such terms or conditions as the registrar may prescribe. Every person whose license has been suspended pur-
- suant to this paragraph shall be required to provide proof to the
- registrar of installation of an ignition interlocking device on every
- vehicle operated by the person, under such terms as the registrar
- may prescribe, as a further condition for reinstatement of said person's license or right to operate upon the completion of the sus-
- pension period. The fees incurred by installing, maintaining, and operating this device shall be paid by the individual who is issued
- 16 the hardship license and required to have the ignition interlock
- device installed. In such cases where serious financial burden is
- 18 proven to the Court, a judge may use discretion in order to decide

- 19 whether or not to waive such fees. The penalty for violating this
- 20 mandate shall be equivalent to the penalty established in Para-
- 21 graph 2 of Section 23 of Chapter 90.